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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 3 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, February 24, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN McCarthy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Sovereign God, on this year anniversary of the war in Ukraine, we pray Your peace. Let Your justice dwell in the dark wilderness caused by the countless injustices inflicted upon the innocent, in the chaos created by the violence against freedom.

May Your protection uphold the spirit of the Ukrainians in defense of their freedoms and Your provision restore the fields of Ukraine to their vital fruitfulness. Grant Your people peaceful habitation once again, with territorial integrity and basic human liberties once more enjoyed.

Let the effect of Your righteousness be peace upon those who have endured unimaginable hardship and suffered inhumane torture. May the result of the righteousness of Your people be faith and trust in Your favor.

We pray also for wisdom for those in whose power it is to cease the warring madness and restore peace in the land. May the eyes of those who see not be closed to the atrocities that are rampant in cities and villages in all of Ukraine. May the ears of those who hear give attention to the cries of those who suffer at the mercurial malice of their oppressor. May the hearts of those who serve You, take a stand against the transgressions against humanity

Strengthen the hearts of those who understand and know the effects of evil. Hasten the wills of those with voice to speak distinctly into the winds of war. May none be found idle in the battle against evil in our day.

In the sovereignty of Your name, we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE HOUSE DEMOCRACY PART-NERSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 5, 118th Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Member on the part of the House to the House Democracy Partnership:

Mr. BUCHANAN, Florida

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday, February 27, 2023, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, February 27, 2023, at noon for morning-hour debate.

 \Box This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., \Box 1407 is 2:07 p.m. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

